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Title : BIOCOMPATIBLE POLYMERS, PROCESS Confirmation No.: 4857  
      : FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND  
      : COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THEM  
Dated: November 17, 2006

**CLAIM OF EXTENSION OF TIME FOR RESPONSE**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

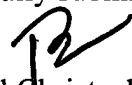
Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully claim a one (1) month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extending the time for Response to the outstanding Official Action dated September 19, 2006 from October 19, 2006 to November 19, 2006.

A check in the amount of \$60.00 is being submitted herewith pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a).

Confirmation of the foregoing Extension of Time is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2719. A duplicate copy of this claim is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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